

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**  
**(Large Entity)**

Docket No.  
P02389

In Re Application Of: Salamone, et al.

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**Examiner**  
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## Invention: Prevention of Preservative Uptake Into Biomaterials

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**TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of November 6, 2001 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

- One month       Two months       Three months       Four months       Five months

from: February 6, 2002  
*Date*

until: **May 6, 2002**  
Date:

The fee for the extension of time is \$920 and is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-1425  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 02-1425  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Signature

Dated: April 24, 2002

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class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C.  
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